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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
March 18, GLENAGLES, British str., 1,625, G. S. McBain, London 23rd January, and Singapore 13th March, General.— JAHNINE, MATHESON & Co.
March 19, JANET, British 3-m. schooner, 211, Henry, from Whampoa, General.— BIRLEY & Co.
March 19, KENNETH CASTLE, Brit. str., 1,268, James Luck, Swinton 18th March, General.— ADAMSON, BELL & Co.
March 19, HARLOWE, Brit. str., 277, Goode, Tawauoo 18th March, and Amoy 17th, General.— D. LAPRAIK & Co.
March 19, YANOTEE, British steamer, 783, Schultz, Shanghai 18th March, General.— SIEMSEN & Co.
March 19, GWALIOR, British steamer, Baboo, Bombay 27th February, Calcutta 5th March, Penang 10th, and Singapore 12th, Mails and General—P. & S. N. Co.
March 19, HESPERIA, German str., 1,186, Johansen, Sijou 14th March, Rice— STEMMSEN & Co.
March 19, NANOA, Brit. str., 862, Wostoby, Foochow 16th March, Amoy 17th, and Swatow 18th, General—D. LAPRAIK & Co.
March 19, FU-YEW, Chinese steamer, 920, A. Coal, from Canton, General—C. M. S. N. Co.
March 19, DALE, British str., 644, Thomson, Bangkok 11th March, General—YUEN FAT HONG.
March 19, ESMERALDA, British steamer, 395, Tulloch, Amoy 18th March, General.— RUSSELL & Co.
March 19, TORI, Dutch schooner, 54, G. Kuijndring, Guan, Macao 1st March, — CAPTAIN.
March 19, CHATEAUFRAND, French bark, 387, Ixton, from Whampoa, General.— CALLETZ & Co.

CLEARANCES

AT THE HONGKONG MERCHANT'S OFFICE,
March 19, 1850.

From 19, Chinese steamer, for Shanghai.
France, French bark, for Chaoe.
Cornwall & Ida, German bark, for Cob.
Kensure Castle, British steamer, for Saigon.
Senado Maru, Japanese steamer, for Kobe.

DEPARTURES.

March 19, ALBEX, British str., for Amoy.
March 19, OBERON, British str., for Amoy.
March 19, PUMA, German 3-m. schooner, for Tencin.
March 19, AMOY, British str., for Shanghai.
March 19, YANGTSE, British steamer, for Canton.
March 19, CANBROOK, British steamer, for Saigon.

PASSENGERS.

Arrived
Per Grilior, str., from Bombay, &c.—For Hongkong.—Mrs. Gilson from Southampton. From Bombay.—Dr. Lebe, from Galle.—Mr. Ashton Rathbone, from Pandu.—3 Chinese. From Singapore.—Miss de Costa and child. Samuel Tyndall, and Mr. Bullard, and 1 Child. Mrs. H. H. Jessop, Son, Wm. H. and 4 Children. Messrs. H. H. Jessop, Son, Wm. H. and Kow Pei from Southampton. For Yokohama.—Miss Leslie from Southampton. From Brindisi.—Mr. Fraser, from Hongkong, str., from Taiwanoo, &c.—1 Chinese.

To Depart.
Per Suzuki Maru, str., for Kobe, &c.—Mr. Leet, and 15 Chinese.
Per Flock, str., for Shanghai.—200 Chinese.
Per Flock, str., for Chaoe.—2 Chinese.
Per Kenmare Castle, str., for Saigon.—16 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The German steamer *Hesperia* reports left Saigon on 14th March, and had fine weather until the day previous to arrival; then foggy weather. Laid too outside for twelve-four hours on account of fog.

The British steamer *Glenagles* reports left Bangkok on 25th February, 1850, for March. Penang on the 1st, and Singapore on the 19th, and had fine weather throughout. Thick fog the last day, and had to anchor for some time out side.

The British steamer *Dale* reports left Bangkok on 13th March, and had fine weather down the Gulf, and from Penang to 40 miles of the Laotunes had light busterly winds and fine weather. Was detained outside Islands for 14 hours in dense fog.

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The British steamer *Yanotee* reports left Shanghai on 13th March, at two o'clock p.m., and anchored off the Lightship at 8 p.m. the same day on account of a dense fog; got underway at daylight the next morning, and had moderate monsoon and clear weather for the first day; from thence foggy weather to the Nine Pins, where a dense fog prevailed, and had to lay over at 1 a.m. on the 17th instant until 6 a.m. on the 18th, and arrived in Hongkong at 8 a.m.

The British steamer *Hawking* reports left Taiwanoo on 10th March. Experienced a light monsoon with occasional heavy showers of rain across Formosa Channel, and arrived in Amoy on the 17th. In Amoy the steamers *Brennan*, *Evening Star*, *Albatross*, *Friend*, and *Germania* were laid up, and the *Albatross* and *Friend* had light variable winds and dense fog down to port. Anchored off Nine Pins on the night of the 18th. Arrived in this port on the 19th at 2 a.m.

The British steamer *Mary* reports left Foochow on 16th March, arrived on the 17th, and Swatow on the 18th. Experienced light variable winds and dense fog throughout. Passed a steamer off Munda Island, bound North, also passed the Company's steamer *Albatross*, and one of their steamers of Singapore island on the 19th instant. In Foochow H.M. gunboat *Moerien* in Amoy H.M. gunboat *Moerien* corrected *Lake*, steamship *Esmeralda*, and *Esmeralda*. In Swatow the steamships *Esmeralda* and *Yatting*. In Singapore shipping.

March 19, ARRIVALS.
9. Velix, Dutch 3-m. schooner, from Saloon 9. Symphony, British bark, from Petrew.
2. Paul, British 3-m. schooner, from Saloon.
2. Shala, British steamer, from Calcutta.
March 19, DEPARTURES.
9. Panay, Spanish steamer, for Manila.
9. Victoria, Spanish steamer, for Manila.
9. Envire, French steamer, for Batavia.

AUCTION SALES TO-DAY.

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MAERIA.—On the 5th February, in the Free Church Manse, Peterhead, by the father of the bride, JAMES HENRY SCOTT, of Hartlepool, and Rev. Mr. G. R. ELLIOT, of Barton Hall, youngest daughter of the Rev. James Yull.

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HONGKONG, MARCH 20TH, 1880.

In the English papers received by the mail yesterday some further details are given of the causes of disagreement between Russia and China, which go to show how difficult a matter it would be to patch up an agreement between the two countries. A correspondent of the Standard at Berlin states that the Russian Government has prohibited commercial caravans from crossing the Siberian frontier into Chinese Mongolia, and adds—“The measure is the sequel to the rupture of the Somoski Convention. Colonel Sosnovsky, it may be remembered, was sent some years ago to Kan-su to conclude a treaty with the Governor of the province, in which Russia engaged to provision any Chinese troops operating against the Kashgar rebels. Russia's motive in this proceeding being a desire to stifle the Mahometan rebellion in China before it found its way to Turkestan, the treaty was set aside directly the danger was over. The moment YAKOB BEG was defeated, the Russians, instead of adhering to the engagement entered into, discontinued the despatch of corn, and by leaving the Chinese troops unpreserved caused the rebellion to revive. Obviously, the collapse of the Mahometan movement had been too complete to be altogether satisfactory, and, when using their newly recovered strength, the Chinese requested the restoration of Ili, Russia, so far from respecting her engagements, passed on to positive hostility, and repeatedly allowed Mahometan bands to assemble on her soil for the invasion of Kashgar. The Afghan and Turcoman campaigns subsequently inclined Russia to settle with the Peking Government. But the Treaty concluded with CH'U HOI HUA was too one-sided a document to be approved at Peking. The Chinese refusal to ratify the draft has now been answered by the discontinuance of commercial relations on the confines of the two Empires. In other words, Russia, who ceased to victim the Chinese at her own expense some time ago, has now forbidden her subjects to sell provender to the Chinese commanders. The diplomatic and commercial estrangement between the two Governments is complete.” Other causes of estrangement besides the above, and the refusal of Russia to restore the whole of Kuldja to China, also exist. The boundary between the two Empires is ill defined, the boundary indications being, according to the Siberia, often as much as 300 versts distant, the fact being that when these boundaries were marked the country was a vast desert. Now, the Siberia says, “the situation is quite different. Recent discoveries have been made of new gold fields, and possession of these is claimed by the different nationalities. Disputes are the more frequent that the whole length of the rivers Ousse and Kudiagh is in Russian territory while the sources are in China. The gold veins are not found along the course of the rivers, but at the sources, and they are so situated that it is very difficult to decide whether they belong to Russian or Chinese territory.” The position, adds the Siberia, “will become dangerous as the mines are worked, especially as the miners are for the most part criminals condemned to hard labour.” There ought not to be much difficulty in deciding to whom the mines belong, but the Siberia probably thinks that Russian criminals would not be very particular about Chinese rights where gold was concerned.

The *Call*, *Tell Gazette*, of course, has something to say upon the then impending rupture between the two countries. It considers that the refusal of the Chinese Government to ratify the Kuldja Treaty is no matter for surprise. “Men like Prince Kuwa and Li Hung-chang,” observes our London contemporary, “are pretty well informed as to the internal condition of Russia to-day; as to her relations with her European neighbours; and, more important still, as to the state of her finances. They, too, therefore, feel inclined to play a little game of brag; and it is by no means certain that they do not hold the better hand, nor that they are ignorant how to make the most of it. China by herself, of course, might not be able long to resist the annoyance of Russian cruisers along her coasts, even if she could hold her own in Kuldja and Kashgar.

But her touch on the Amur settlements would be positively fatal, while even a temporary alliance with a European Power who had an officer or two capable of handling Chinese troops would go far to sweep Russia back a whole generation's gain of territory. These are some of the considerations which render the present crisis so difficult to deal with.” A correspondent of the Times states that over, if nominally, the Chinese Government remained at peace, its Vicereoy in the frontier provinces Tso Tsung-tang, the conqueror of Kashgar, who has looked very impatiently at the negotiations about Kuldja, seems just the man to make an expedition on his own account, without troubling his Government much about formal permission.” We take the liberty to doubt this supposition, although it is notorious that the Vicereoy of Kansu has been one of the most energetic denouncers of the Kuldja-Treaty and has advocated an appeal to arms rather than that it should be accepted. But in spite of the above rather hazardous assertion, the statements made in the home papers render it apparent to the dullest intelligence that the relations between Russia and China have been strained to the utmost tension.

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The district Paymaster of the western portion of the Nanchuan district of Canton had again fallen victim to the death of Mr. Henry Sampson. The vacancies on the active List of Paymasters has now been increased to three, thus promoting Mr. F. W. Woods, of the Asia, Portland Mond, in charge of the Condor, and Mr. T. J. Great, who was transferred from the Azio to the charge of the *Wivern* for the passage to Hongkong, when he would have been out to Hongkong, when he would have been transferred to the charge of the *Kestrel*.

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EXTRACTS.

SAINT VALENTINE'S DAY.

Old Father Christmas has gone on his way. And now looks before us St. Valentine's day: Lord help the poor Postman, I earnestly pray. With his mountain of work, and his mohill of post! When Cadmus invented the Greek alphabet; And the wits of all folk in vanity set; He never surmised, in his engorged dream, What would arise in the course of Time's stream. If he had, chance some simple provis he'd made. For the Postman in this most momentous decade, When all sorts of interests and all sorts of man down to omnipotent paper and pen, Out in all kinds of weather, in rain, hail, or snow, Let the torrent descend, or the hurricane blow; His hats a little, but hurries on still; His mission with diligent care to fulfil. Lord help, then, the Postman, I fervently pray, With his mountain of work, and his mohill of post! May he find perfect rest in a region of bliss When his feet are worn out in the service of this!

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R. Riccioli reports, in the *Gazette Medicale Italiana*, the following observations made on himself: Being seized with a severe convulsion, he happened to chew one or two twigs of the eucalyptus, at the same time swallowing the saliva secreted, which had a bitter and aromatic flavor. To his surprise he found that in the course of half an hour the nasal catarrh had disappeared. Some days later he was seized with another attack, from a fresh exposure to cold, when the same treatment was followed by an equally fortunate result. He then prescribed the remedy to several of his patients, all of whom were benefited in the same way. He believes that this treatment is only suitable in acute cases.—*British Medical Journal*.

BUSH LIFE IN QUEENSLAND.

"You see this is the way of it, West," explained Fitzgerald. "When a squatter goes into a new country he is very often short-handed, besides which, on a sheep-station, the shepherds are scattered in ones and twos over an immense extent of country. Now the blacks are numerous. They have nothing to do but to fight and hunt; and if they knew the actual state of the white man's affairs, they would take advantage of it to come down at any moment and massacre all hands. On that account it is highly necessary they should be kept in the dark as to what is going on in the run. They are therefore driven back to the mountains and scrub; and it is only after ten or twelve years have passed, when they have learnt to dread the white man's arms, and have become more tolerant of his presence, that they are cautiously admitted on the stations. Of course there is a constant state of simmering warfare between the two races. The black kills the white man, or a number, when he gets the chance, and the white man revenge it by going out alone, or sending out a force of black fellows, mounted and trained as irregular cavalry, under the command of a European officer, to shoot down as many of the offenders as they can. Everyone carries firearms of one sort or another. The mail coach would be attacked on the roads, and the mail carrier would be shot dead. The black has no scruples about killing the white man, and the white man has no scruples about killing the black. The Duke of Argyll might have been used as a mere replica of the 'Lord Vincent' whom Bulwer selected in a *Dramatized* who had always a diffused review on hand, a project of party organisation not quite ready, and some brilliant ideas which just wanted to put into shape. From this date he was saved by a passion for hard work. He is simply indefatigable, and on busy men their crotches and their doubts sit lightly, while their enthusiasms are also under control."

The late Strickland Cookson (the friend and executor of Wordsworth) told me he was once on a Royal Commission with the Duke of Argyll. I think they had to inquire into the course of half an hour the nasal catarrh had disappeared. Some days later he was seized with another attack, from a fresh exposure to cold, when the same treatment was followed by an equally fortunate result. He then prescribed the remedy to several of his patients, all of whom were benefited in the same way. He believes that this treatment is only suitable in acute cases.—*British Medical Journal*.

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